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His earlier research topics were mainly in the field of wear and corrosion resistant as well as high temperature barrier and insulating thin coatings produced by CVD and PVD. He was a member of the International Advisory Board for Euro CVD conferences, 1987-2009 and chairman of EUROCVD 1991-93 and the main organizer and chairman of EUROCVD 9 held at Tampere 1993. The work with coatings enlarged later into thick ceramic coatings processed by plasma plasma and detonation spraying. He was also a coordinator and responsible leader of national research program in Finland on Engineering Ceramics in 1986-89. The most recent research topics include functional surface properties, nano composites and laser processing. He has published 130 scientific papers, 420 papers in international conferences and seminars, 320 technical reports and holds 12 patents. He has participated in several international joint projects within COST, EU, advisory boards of conferences and seminars, international evaluations etc. Tampere University of Technology awarded him with the Certificate of Honour: Distinguished Supervisor of Doctoral Thesis (2005) and ASM international nominated him as Fellow of ASM International (2005). He also obtained honor of Knight, First Class, of the Order of the White Rose of Finland (2009).

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